



Pennsylvania Broilers

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For the Week of March 16-22, 2003

Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Up 6 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending March 22, 2003, were 2,519,000, up 6 percent from the previous week but 7 percent less than the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 4 percent below 1 year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 3,526,000, down 2 percent from the previous week and 5 percent less than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 8 percent below the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 169,014,000, up 1 percent from the previous week but 1 percent less than the

corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 2 percent below one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 204,902,000, up less than 1 percent from the previous week but 2 percent less than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 2 percent below the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending May 17, 2003, will be 2,383,000, 10 percent less than a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 162,037,000, down 3 percent from the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

Period Covered	Pennsylvania			19 States		
	Number (1,000)	Percent		Number (1,000)	Percent	
		Previous Week	Year Earlier		Previous Week	Year Earlier
	Broilers Placed					
Past Week	2,519	106	93	169,014	101	99
Past 9 Weeks	22,383	-	96	1,492,331	-	98
	Eggs Set					
Past Week	3,526	98	95	204,902	100	98
Past 3 Weeks	10,717	-	92	615,502	-	98
	Expected Marketings					
Week Ending: May 17, 2003	2,383	-	90	162,037	-	97

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending March 15, 2003, totaled 2,012,000 head with an average liveweight of 5.23 pounds.

**The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002.
Data is now being reported as a 19 State total.**

Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 15	Feb 22	Mar 1	Mar 8	Mar 15	Mar 22
	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003
	Thousand					
AL	28,430	28,185	*28,387	27,920	28,229	28,227
AR	30,194	30,762	30,603	30,133	29,371	29,982
DE	*3,353	*3,288	*3,500	3,539	3,765	3,711
FL	1,605	1,598	1,627	1,620	1,532	1,634
GA	31,084	31,336	31,708	31,646	30,759	30,862
KY	6,342	*6,358	*6,457	6,555	6,200	6,380
MD	8,694	9,351	9,371	10,110	10,053	9,480
MS	18,852	18,749	*19,066	19,097	*18,882	19,110
NC	18,294	18,728	*18,788	18,634	18,588	18,680
OK	6,378	6,632	6,373	6,465	6,672	6,562
PA	3,434	3,136	3,427	*3,599	3,592	3,526
SC	4,842	4,823	4,857	4,814	4,842	4,903
TX	14,780	14,801	14,810	14,750	14,743	14,495
VA	6,491	6,562	6,720	6,711	6,632	6,637
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV:	19,676	20,275	*20,615	20,655	*20,492	20,713
19 State Total	*202,449	*204,584	*206,309	*206,248	*204,352	204,902
Previous Year Total	210,479	211,110	210,211	209,711	208,001	208,762
Pct. of Prev. Year	96	97	98	98	98	98

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Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State	Week Ending					
	Feb 15	Feb 22	Mar 1	Mar 8	Mar 15	Mar 22
	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003
	Thousand					
AL	20,696	21,200	20,287	21,816	21,479	21,568
AR	23,806	24,509	24,680	25,491	23,738	23,794
DE	*5,717	*5,189	*4,997	4,688	4,570	5,061
FL	1,739	1,491	1,752	1,798	1,668	1,566
GA	25,761	25,415	25,634	24,378	24,918	25,720
KY	5,366	5,491	5,503	5,204	*5,265	5,298
MD	*5,450	*5,695	*5,920	5,242	6,260	6,012
MS	15,967	15,757	15,534	15,579	*15,850	16,374
NC	14,217	14,011	14,332	14,199	14,729	15,064
OK	4,415	4,091	4,840	3,634	4,458	4,825
PA	2,551	2,523	2,422	*2,479	2,373	2,519
SC	3,534	3,708	3,134	4,812	4,430	3,800
TX	12,337	11,869	11,657	11,952	12,373	12,399
VA	5,612	5,286	5,847	5,854	5,334	5,258
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV:	18,703	18,209	16,980	17,580	*19,980	19,756
19 State Total	*165,871	*164,444	*163,519	*164,706	*167,425	169,014
Previous Year Total	167,095	170,461	169,215	171,686	172,382	171,346
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	96	97	96	97	99

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